



.....Havant Pastoral Area.....  
**Catholic Parish of St. Joseph's, Havant and Emsworth**  
**Saturday, 20th - Sunday, 28th March, 2010.**  
**5th Sunday of Lent**

### **Havant Pastoral Lent 2010**

We have almost come to the end of the series of talks on the Diocesan Pastoral Plan. The last session is on Tuesday, 23rd at St. Patrick's, Hayling Island at 7.00pm. (Please note the change of date.) You are recommended to bring a cushion to sit on. The topic for the evening will be 'The Mission of the Church'.

Many thanks to all those who have organised the five events around the pastoral area and thanks also to those who have turned out each evening. We hope to compile a report shortly.

### **The Army Presentation Team**

Fr. Tom has been invited to an army presentation on Thursday, 22nd April, 2010 at 6.30pm in the Guildhall, Portsmouth. Fr. Tom cannot attend himself but if anybody would like to represent him, please collect the essential information from him.

### **Papal Visit to the U.K.**

It is now confirmed that the Pope will visit the U.K. in September this year. The most convenient public event for us appears to be the beatification of Cardinal John Henry Newman at Coventry Airport. Final details will be published shortly.

### **The Passion of Christ**

On Good Friday, 2nd April, there will be a showing of Mel Gibson's masterpiece of The Passion in St. Joseph's Church at 6.00pm. The film takes two hours and there will be a short break for black tea/coffee. Admission is free. Cushions are recommended. Everybody is welcome.

### **Alpha**

The following conferences are organised by Alpha in 2010: -

**20th-21st May** - 'The Holy Spirit in the World Today'.

**7th-8th June** - the Alpha Conference.

**11th June** - Marriage Conference.

**24th September** - Student Alpha Conference.

If anybody would like to attend any of these, please contact Alison McCann on (023) 9245 1649. All expenses will be covered by the parish and all the conferences take place in London.

### **Living our Faith**

Good reports continue to come in from across the diocese on the 'Living our Faith' campaign. The diocesan target of £9m might well be reached by Easter or shortly afterwards.

### **Blessing of Bread**

The Polish people have a wonderful custom of blessing bread on Holy Saturday. We will bless the bread on Saturday, 3rd April at 11.00am in St. Joseph's.

### **Holy Week and Easter Services**

Attached to the newsletter this week is a complete list of all the Holy Week and Easter services. Extra copies are also available for you to pass on to Catholic neighbours and associates.

### **Quiz Night**

Many thanks to all those who turned out for the parish Quiz Night a few weeks ago. It was an excellent occasion and special thanks go to Kerry and Karl Jenkinson who organised and presented the evening.

### **Car Boot Sale, 5th April**

9.00am to 12 noon. Help needed in the kitchen and to run the church table. Even an hour would be greatly appreciated. All offers to Deirdre on (023) 9247 6230.

### **Jumble Sale, Saturday, 24th April**

11.00am to 1.00pm. Help is needed to set up on the Friday from 10.00am to 2.00pm and also on the day. Offers of help to Deirdre on (023) 9248 2630. Please clearly mark all nearly new clothes.

### **Parish Soup Lunch**

Our next parish soup lunch will be on Wednesday, 7th April following Mass at St. Joseph's.. Everyone is welcome.

### **Thought for the Day**

Do we have double standards? Often we expect to be forgiven ourselves but we are quick to judge other people for things that we consider to be wrong. And equally often the very thing that we judge them for is something that secretly we know is one of our own faults.

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## Mail Drop

People living in Bridge Road and Washington Road will receive a letter from the parish this week with our prayers and best wishes.

## Easter Gardens and Bonnets

All the children are invited to make Easter gardens or Easter bonnets for Easter Sunday this year. Both must contain some aspect of the Easter story. Three prizes for each category will be given at the 9.00am Mass at Emsworth and the 11.00am Mass in Havant.

## 'The Crucifixion' by John Stainer

Palm Sunday at 6.30pm in St. Faith's Church, Havant. Featuring combined choirs of St. Faith's and St. John's, Westbourne.

## Passover Meal

St. Michael & All Angels, Leigh Park, on Sunday, 28th March at 6.00pm. Tickets from Shirley O'Neill on (023) 9279 6703.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will finish at the end of Wednesday, 24th March and recommence on Monday, 19th April at the usual time. There will be Adoration in Holy Week on Tuesday, 30th March. There is a rota for volunteers.

## Reconciliation

Saturdays, Ss. Thomas' at 11.00am and at St. Joseph's at 7.30pm.

## St. Joseph's Church Cleaning

All church cleaners are called on to spring clean St. Joseph's Church on Thursday, 1st April at 9.30am. Many thanks.

## Collections Last Weekend

Your offertory collection last weekend came to £1,299 and your contributions to the Clergy Assistance Fund came to £542. Many thanks for your generosity.

## Diary

**Sunday, 21st** - 4.00pm Preparation for Easter.

**Monday, 22nd** - 10.00am Lent House Group at the presbytery. Note this is our final session.

**Monday, 22nd** - 7.00pm Pastoral Council meeting at the presbytery.

**Tuesday, 23rd** - 1.15pm Requiem Mass for Doreen Green RIP at St. Coleman's, Cosham.

**Tuesday, 23rd** - 7.00pm Alpha meeting. 'Any Questions?'

**Tuesday, 23rd** - 7.00pm 'The Mission of the Church', St. Patrick's, Hayling Island.

**Saturday, 27th/Sunday, 28th (Palm Sunday)** - please note the clocks go forward one hour.

**Sunday, 28th** - 4.00pm Preparation for Easter.



## Readings This Weekend

- † **First Reading** Isaiah 43: 16-21
- † **Psalms** 125
- † **Second Reading** Philippians 3: 8-14
- † **Gospel** John 8: 1-11



## Mass Times at St. Joseph's

**Sat, 20th** - 6.30pm Vigil Mass  
(Alex Beautista RIP)

**Sun, 21st** - 11.00am Mass  
(Paddy & Mary McDonagh RIP)

**Mon, 22nd** - 9.30am Mass  
(Jerzy Czoch RIP)

**Weds, 24th** - 9.30am Mass  
(Mary Claire Tibbets RIP)

**Sat, 27th** - 6.30pm Vigil Mass  
(Paula Allerton RIP)

**Sun, 28th** - 11.00am Mass  
(Brian Parker RIP)

## Mass Times at Ss. Thomas'

**Sun, 21st** - 9.00am Mass  
(Anthony Spurr RIP)

**Sun, 21st** - 6.00pm Mass  
(John Wren RIP)

**Tues, 23rd** - 10.00am Mass  
(Dora Hartnell RIP)

**Sat, 27th** - 10.30am Mass  
(Stella Wrigley RIP)

**Sun, 28th** - 9.00am Mass  
(Bertie Pembrey RIP)

**Sun, 28th** - 6.00pm Mass

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